## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

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vs Case No: 06-20366
Honorable Victoria A. Roberts
D-1 ANTHONY MICHAEL HACHEM,

Defendant.

## ORDER STRIKING PRO SE FILINGS BY A REPRESENTED PARTY

Defendant Anthony Michael Hachem has submitted a Request for Inspection of Federal Grand Jury Minutes and a Request for Bill of Particulars in Pro Se.

Federal law permits a criminal defendant to appear "personally or by counsel." 28 U.S.C. §1654. This right is "disjunctive; a party may either represent himself or appear through an attorney." Hall v Dorsey, 534 F. Supp. 507, 508 (E.D. Pa 1982).

There is no right, constitutional or otherwise, to "hybrid representation - the representation at the same time by counsel and *pro se*." <u>United States v Trapnell</u>, 638 F. 2d 1016, 1027 (7<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1980). Therefore, as part of the latitude accorded district courts in managing their dockets, courts may bar *pro se* filings by represented parties. <u>United States v Agofsky</u>, 20 F. 3d 866, 872 (8<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1994) (finding no error in the court's refusal to consider *pro se* motion where defendant was represented by counsel); <u>United States v Tracy</u>, 989 F. 2d 1279, 1285 (1<sup>st</sup> Cir. 1993) ("A district court enjoys wide

latitude in managing its docket and can require represented parties to present motions through counsel.")

Accordingly, Defendant's above named requests are **STRICKEN** and forwarded to defendant's counsel without further consideration. Future filings are similarly barred so long as defendant continues to be presented by counsel.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

S/Victoria A. Roberts
Victoria A. Roberts
United States District Judge

Dated: October 19, 2006

The undersigned certifies that a copy of this document was served on the attorneys of record by electronic means or U.S. Mail on October 19, 2006.

S/Carol A. Pinegar
Deputy Clerk